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Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 17, with the following rewritten paragraph:

A1
Referring to Fig 1, the portable terminal 10 is a PDA such as 3Com (trade mark) Palm IIIx (trade mark), PDA for example. PDA 10 comprises a controller 12 and associated volatile memory 14 and non-volatile memory 16, a touch-sensitive display 18, a serial communication port 20 for receiving a communication cable, and a communication port 22 in the form of an IrDA-compliant infra-red port for wireless transmission and reception of information.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 7, with the following rewritten paragraph:

A2
The storage area 28 is used for data and application storage, and is analogous to disk storage in a desktop personal computer. The storage area 28 is powered by the PDA batteries (not shown) and by a large capacitor, so that the storage area 28 retains data even when the PDA 10 is reset or the batteries are replaced. The contents of storage area 28 are in accordance with the present invention and are more fully described in connection with the discussion of Fig. 2.